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Clothing Accessories

Jewelry

Dr. Mudd's Catholic Emblem

Excerpts from newspapers and other sources

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55 Church St Hornell N.Y.

Feb 10/35

Dr. Louis A Warren Curator
Lincoln National Life Foundation
Fort Wayne Ind.

Dear Dr. Wayne:

You name was mentioned in Liberty May. Feb 16 - / a small story regarding Lincoln): My father as a Union soldier was a tremendous admirer of Lincoln =

As Capt. in 161st O.V.I. he happened for a time to be in command of Fort Jefferson Dry Tortugas: While he was there party 1865 Dr Mudd: Arnold, and Spangler were sent to that prison: As both men were educated and refined men my father gave Dr Mudd who was in delicate health work in his office and gave Arnold a position where they would not be associated with the class of prisoners who were in majority at that time they were generally a very tough lot and my father had several mutinies on his hands. As I recall there were many hundreds of the criminals of worst class there from the Army.

As you know = Dr Mudd and Arnold were later pardoned by Pres. Johnson. Dr. Mudd lived only a short time after this release Arnold died a hero and gave to My. Sun some years before his death his memoirs of this trouble and his attempted vindication = It was published in My Sun some years ago. in four serials after his death as that was according to the agreement with the Sun. I have in my possession a Catholic cross, keys & anchor, Catholic emblem, which Dr Mudd sent Father after his discharge in appreciation of his kindness: He remarks in the letter which I also have, that it was all that he had left of his personal effects.

I have one by Arnold to Father in which he speaks bitterly of his treatment and also the suffering that came to him because of Dr. Mudd's attempted escape.

Yours Truly.

F. M Tenbrook

assassination

February 18, 1935

Mr. F. M. Prentice
55 Church Street
Hornell, New York

Dear Mr. Prentice:

Your interesting letter has been received regarding the Lincoln conspirators who were imprisoned at Fort Jefferson. Undoubtedly your relics and letters are very valuable, especially to one who is collecting assassination data. We are very glad to know of this material and shall place your letter in our files concerning these conspirators.

I have taken the liberty to give your name and address to a Chicago authority on Lincoln's death and assassination . This man's name is Otto Eisenschiml. Undoubtedly you will hear from him in the near future concerning these letters.

We thank you for bringing this matter to our attention.

Yours very truly,

Librarian
Lincoln National Life Foundation

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